

not, cannot, or at least do not explore to full potentiality. It may be stretching the legend a bit to say that this one person discovers annually more new facets of *Speyeria* than do all of the remaining fraternity of *Speyeria* buffs, but it is not too far from the mark, at that. We can but shake our heads and wonder —.

Those procuring this summary of MOECK's field work expecting, from the title, help in classifying a difficult genus may be disappointed. Still, his remarks do add up to an indispensable approach philosophy, which, along with the many little-known variations described, will repay careful reading. The tyro, especially, will be put on the right track. The size of the geographical canvas and the enormity of the problems are given in faithful and rare perspective. Additionally, the beginner will be disabused of the feeling of inferiority to the "experts", for MOECK clearly puts the case as it really is, namely, that the main source of knowledge lies in the geographically representative series, in fields and woods which are open to all.

The new subspecies described is *S. zerene gloriosa*, from the vicinity of Selma, Josephine County, southern Oregon toward the coastal slope. Almost equal in interest are descriptions of some other Oregon variants unnamed and not mentioned in the standard literature. However, the Oregon data are not singled out for special commendation; there are many of these highly important references, for almost all of the regions where speyerians occur; the breadth of view is the most appealing feature.

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*MOTYLE SLOVENSKA. OBLAST SLOVENSKÉHO RAJA.* [Lepidoptera of Slovakia. The region of the Slovak Paradise.] By Andrej Reiprich. 1960. 553 pp., 137 figs., 68 pls. Published by the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Klemensova Street 27, Bratislava, Czechoslovakia; price 50.-Kčs.

In the general part of this work the author introduces a short survey of the studied area, which is shown in two maps (pp. 373-374). The Slovak Paradise is situated in the eastern part of Central Slovakia. The author worked mainly in the neighbourhood of the town Spišská Nová Ves.

In the systematic part of the book (pp. 64-365) the author gives information about all 859 recorded species. In this part there are a number of interesting biological observations. The majority of all observed species is figured in the 68 plates. Very nice are the photos of the living butterflies, caterpillars, and their localities. The book is in Czech, with Russian and German summaries (pp. 405-416).

The book is of importance to the knowledge of the Lepidoptera in Slovakia.

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